

CSWC Operational Period Summary

1800 December 15 2015 to 0600 December 16 2015



San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) will be conducting an Assembly and Evacuation Drill today.

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Note: [Report updates are in blue](#)



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SITUATION SUMMARY

National News – Significant Events

Los Angeles schools set to reopen after threat prompted closure

(Reuters) Public schools in Los Angeles were set to reopen on Wednesday, a day after local officials canceled class for some 640,000 students in the nation's second-largest school district over a threatened attack with bombs and guns later deemed a hoax. Authorities conducted an extensive search of the Los Angeles Unified School District's more than 1,000 schools and by late Tuesday said the buildings were secure and students were safe to return. The emailed threat, which authorities said was routed through Germany but likely originated locally, came nearly two weeks after a married couple inspired by Islamic State killed 14 people and wounded 22 others at a county office building 60 miles (100 km) away in San Bernardino. A similar email was sent to New York City's public schools though officials dismissed it as a hoax and kept campuses open. Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti said an investigation was in its early stages. "Whether it's criminal mischief, whether it's somebody testing vulnerabilities of multiple cities, we still do not know enough to say definitively," he told a press conference. Los Angeles Police Chief Charlie Beck defended the school district's decision to keep students and staff home out of an abundance of caution. "It is very easy in hindsight to criticize the decision based on results that the decider could never have known," he said.

International News – Significant Events

Gunmen abduct Qatar hunters in Iraq desert

(BBC) Gunmen have kidnapped at least 26 Qatari hunters in a desert area of Iraq near the Saudi border, officials say. The attackers were driving "about 50" four-wheel drive vehicles when they swept into the hunters' camp at dawn on Wednesday, an Iraqi source told the BBC's Arabic service. They struck near Layyah, 190km (118 miles) from Samawa, after arriving from the Nasiriya area, the source said. A wide-scale search has been launched for the attackers, police say. There was no immediate comment from the authorities in Qatar. Iraq is one of several countries frequented by Gulf Arab huntsmen and falconers as they search for prey that either does not exist in their own countries or which has been almost hunted to extinction there. Their favored prey is the houbara bustard, akin to a small turkey, and to find it and other similar species Gulf hunters often travel to Morocco, Iraq, Pakistan and Afghanistan. They take with them their prized falcons, typically peregrines, sakers and lanners, which are expertly trained to home in on their quarry at high speed. According to a former CIA officer, in 1998 a CIA-run sniper team in Afghanistan observed Osama Bin Laden and his al-Qaeda followers gathered at a camp near Kandahar but they were ordered to take no action for risk of harming the Emirati hunters who were with them. Other Gulf hunting expeditions have even extended as far as the Central African Republic in search of big game. Hunters from various Gulf states often travel to the area at this time of year. The hunters had been escorted by Iraqi security forces but they decided not to engage a large number of gunmen, a Samawa police colonel told the agency. "We are talking about at least 100 gunmen armed with light and medium weapons," he said. Two unnamed Iraqi officials quoted by AFP news agency said "members of Qatar's ruling family" were among those kidnapped, without giving details. More than 12 years after the US-led invasion and occupation, Iraq is still plagued by violent crime and militant attacks. In September, 16 Turkish construction workers were freed a month after being kidnapped in the capital, Baghdad, apparently by Shia Muslim militants.

SITUATION SUMMARY

SONGS Assembly and Evacuation Drill, San Diego County

- The San Onofre Nuclear Generating Station (SONGS) will be conducting an Assembly and Evacuation Drill [today, 12/16/15, from 1600 to 1800 hours](#).
- The onsite sirens and thunderbolt sirens will be activated during the drill.

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- SOC / Inland REOC remains activated in support of 2014 Drought

Weather of Concern

- Temperatures are expected to drop to the low to mid 20's for several hours over the rural areas of the San Joaquin Valley until a few hours after sunrise. The larger cities will see temperatures range from 28 to 31 degrees. A cold air mass continues over Southern California, and will bring sub-freezing temperatures to many wind-sheltered locations tonight.

Active Weather Warnings, Watches and Advisories by County:

http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/sto/brief/www_bc_cal.php

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AND CENTRAL COASTAL AREAS:

Eureka Weather:

Dry weather will continue through early today before the next storm system brings rain through the latter half of the week. Forecast models hint at a more significant rain event late next weekend and early next week.

Medford Weather:

Snow is first expected Thursday morning then changing to freezing rain then rain in places like Tule Lake. Another location that may experience freezing rain is Mount Shasta City.

Reno Weather:

Cold temperatures remain into Wednesday before a warm front moves through with snow possible near the Oregon border and a slight chance of freezing rain. Milder weather is expected late in the week. A weak system will pass through Saturday with some light rain and snow. A stronger system is possible early next week.

San Francisco Weather:

Dry weather and seasonably cool conditions will persist today. There is a chance of light rain in the North Bay Thursday into Friday. Widespread rainfall is then expected to spread across late Friday into Saturday as a frontal boundary pushes through.

WEATHER

WEATHER SYNOPSIS BY REGION:

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA AND SOUTHERN SAN JOAQUIN VALLEY:

Sacramento Weather:

Dry weather with seasonal temperatures can be expected today. Light precipitation across the north Thursday and early Friday. Moderate system moves through all of Northern California Friday night and over the weekend then more systems bring a wet pattern likely to continue through the end of next week. This extended rain/snow pattern will likely impact holiday travel.

Hanford Weather:

A ridge of high pressure will remain over Central California through Friday. On Saturday, a trough of low pressure will move through bringing a threat of precipitation. Below normal temperatures will remain through today with a slight warming trend through the end of the week.

SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA:

Los Angeles Weather:

Blustery days and cold nights can be expected through Thursday under high pressure. The temperatures will warm to normal on Friday but weak storm will arrive on Saturday with possible precipitation and a cooling trend into early next week.

Extreme Southwestern California including Orange, San Diego, Western Riverside and Southwestern San Bernardino Counties:

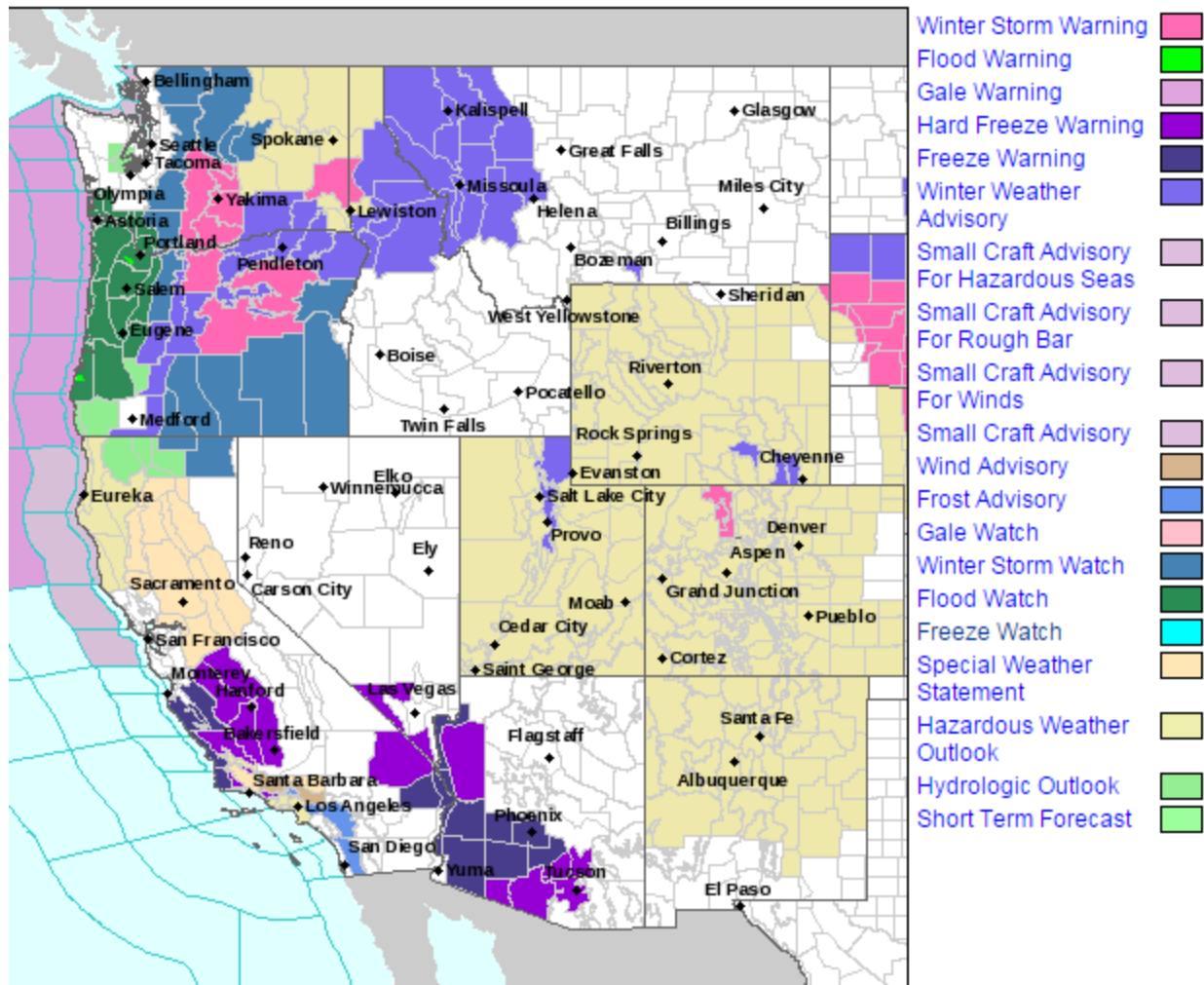
It is another very cold morning away from the immediate coast. It will be sunny and a bit warmer during the day today as high pressure begins to slowly build into coastal California. Tonight can be expected to be clear and quite cold once again with a light and dry wind flow. Fair and notably warmer conditions will exist for Thursday and Friday. Over the weekend, a weak Pacific trough will bring cooling and a chance for light showers.

Southeast California Weather:

Northwest flow will result in cold conditions through Thursday. Temperatures will start to moderate back closer to normal on Friday as high pressure aloft builds back into the area. A few systems look to sweep across between Saturday afternoon and Monday bringing more clouds and the possibility of precipitation along with gusty winds at times.



STATE WEATHER MAP



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FIRE ACTIVITY



Preparedness Levels

National Preparedness Level 1

Northern California

Preparedness Level 1, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

Southern California

Preparedness Level 2, Multi-Agency Coordination System MACS Mode 2

California Fire Potential & Weather Maps

Southern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/8>

Northern California 7 Day Significant Fire Potential

<http://psgeodata.fs.fed.us/7day/action/forecast/10>

California Fire Weather Map Watches and Warnings

<http://www.wrh.noaa.gov/firewx/main.php>

NWS California River Forecast Center:

<http://www.cnrfc.noaa.gov/>

CAL OES 2014 DROUGHT

Cal EOC Incident – 2014 Drought

- The SOC is activated in support of the Drought State of Emergency and continue to monitor the situation.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-26-14 on 09/19/14, to streamline relief efforts for families with drinking water shortages due to drought, specifically through the California Disaster Assistance Act, to provide temporary water supplies to households without water for drinking and/or sanitation purposes.
- The Governor issued Executive Order B-29-15 on 04/01/15 which announced actions that will save water, increase enforcement to prevent wasteful water use, streamline the state's drought response and invest in new technologies to make California more drought resilient.
- CDAA 2014 Drought Fact Sheet and Frequently Asked Questions provided to Regions for reference and distribution.
- Cal OES Recovery continues to coordinate the Community Impacts Workgroup conference calls. Currently, the calls take place on alternating Wednesdays.
- Cal OES Recovery/Individual Assistance finalized an updated 2015 version of the drought brochure of programs and services for individuals, businesses, farmers, and ranchers. It has been put on the Governor's Drought webpage. State agencies may put the following link to the brochure on their webpage <http://ca.gov/drought/pdf/Drought-Assistance-Brochure-2015.pdf>
- Cal OES Regions (Inland, Coastal, Southern) collective OA drought call is facilitated by the SOC and will be held once per month.

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Local Emergency Proclamations:

A total of 63 local Emergency Proclamations have been received to date from city, county, and tribal governments, as well as special districts:

- 29 Counties: Butte, Colusa, Calaveras, El Dorado, Fresno, Glenn, Inyo, Humboldt, Kern, Kings, Lake, Madera, Mariposa, Merced, Modoc, Plumas, San Bernardino, San Joaquin, San Luis Obispo, Santa Barbara, Shasta, Siskiyou, Sonoma, Stanislaus, Sutter, Trinity, Tulare, Tuolumne, and Yuba.
- 13 Cities: City of Live Oak (Sutter County), City of Lodi (San Joaquin County), City of Manteca (San Joaquin County), City of Montague (Siskiyou County), City of Porterville (Tulare County), City of Portola (Plumas County), City of Ripon (San Joaquin County), City of San Juan Bautista (San Benito County), City of Santa Barbara (Santa Barbara County), City of Rancho Cucamonga (San Bernardino County) and City of West Sacramento (Yolo County), City of Willits (Mendocino County), and City of Fort Bragg (Mendocino County).
- 9 Tribes: Cortina Indian Rancheria (Colusa County), Hoopa Valley Tribe (Humboldt County), Karuk Tribe (Siskiyou/Humboldt Counties), Kashia Band of Pomo Indians of the Stewarts Point Rancheria (Sonoma County), Picayune Rancheria of Chukchansi Indians (Madera County) Sherwood Valley Pomo Indian Tribe (Mendocino County), Tule River Indian Tribe (Tulare County), Yocha Dehe Wintun Nation (Yolo County), and Yurok Tribe (Humboldt County).
- 12 Special Districts: Carpinteria Valley Water District (Santa Barbara County), Goleta Water District (Santa Barbara County), Groveland Community Services District (Tuolumne County), Lake Don Pedro Community Services District (Mariposa Stanislaus County), Mariposa Public Utility District (Mariposa County), Meiners Oaks Water District (Ventura County), Montecito Water District (Santa Barbara County), Mountain House Community Service District (San Joaquin County), Nevada Irrigation District (Nevada County), Placer County Water Agency (Placer County), Tuolumne Utilities District (Tuolumne County), and Twain Harte Community Services District (Tuolumne County).



Mission:

We protect lives and property, build capabilities, and support our communities for a resilient California.

We achieve our mission by serving the public through effective collaboration in preparing for, protecting against, responding to, recovering from, and mitigating the impacts of all hazards and threats.